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## We need your vote!

Now through April 10th you can vote for our children's artwork titled "Save the Earth & 'See' Turtles". We are among the 10 finalists for Local 10 News eARTH Day Art Contest.

Help support Miami Lighthouse by voting each day. You can cast one vote per day. The school with the eARTH Day work of art that receives the most votes wins. The winning school will be announced on Local 10 News on Earth Day, April 22, and will receive an award for the school's art department.

[Click here to Vote](#)



"Save the Earth & 'See' Turtles"

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## "It's Possible to See ART Without Sight" was a major success

It was a fabulous day on Saturday, March 19th as Miami Lighthouse brought together the blind artistic community and renowned national artists to make a statement on Miami's historic street art scene. Celebrating inclusion, diversity and equity in the arts, this event featured art by Miami Lighthouse artists and acclaimed international artists, as well as onsite casual conversations with prominent local artists.

Miami Lighthouse thanks all of our partners who have made it "Possible To See ART Without Sight": The Children's Trust, Arts4All Florida, The Jorge M. Perez Family Foundation, Florida Division of Blind Services, CITIZENS INTERESTED IN ART, The Wildflower Foundation, Inc., and with the support of the Miami-Dade County Department of Cultural Affairs and the Cultural Affairs Council, the Miami-Dade County Mayor and Board of County Commissioners. It was an incredible event that will be long remembered.



*Miami-Dade Commissioner Sally Heyman, Miami Lighthouse Art Instructor Aaron Hill and President & CEO Virginia Jacko with her guide dog Eva*



*George Hustus and Casey Wicks create their own "EYE" canvas using markers, paint, and textured materials to be used in a community art project*

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## Young Professionals Mixer

On March 30th, the Young Professionals of the Lighthouse (YPOL) joined forces with Miami-Dade Beacon Council New Leaders Taskforce and United Way Young Leaders for a networker on the Miami River hosted by The Underline. Beverages were sponsored by CBRE and delicious Popeyes food sponsored by Restaurant Brands International. The delightful evening was made more special by our Miami Lighthouse Band serenading the attendees. Thank you to everyone for making this event a success!



*Young Professionals Mixer Sponsors- Kevin Gonzalez, CBRE Chair Beacon Council New Leaders Taskforce; Alex Nostro, Chair Young Professionals of Lighthouse; Ali Sanchez, Restaurant Brands International; Cameron Sisser, Miami Lighthouse; Masi Faroqui, The Underline*



*Miami Lighthouse Music Band*

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## Miami Lighthouse celebrated "Employee Appreciation Day"

Miami Lighthouse celebrated Employee Appreciation Day on March 14th. One of our core employee values states, "Focus on what you give, not what you get." Each day our employees give the greatest gift to our clients, they help them lead fulfilling and independent lives.

During the Employee Appreciation Day our staff were presented with a "self-care" gift card through the "Help the Helper Fund" made possible by: The Miami Foundation, Allegany Franciscan Ministries, The Children's Trust of Miami-Dade County, Coral Gables Community Foundation, Frederick A. DeLuca Foundation, Health Foundation of South Florida, Jorge M. Perez Family Foundation, Key Biscayne Community Foundation, and United Way Miami.



*Miami Lighthouse team receives their "self-care" gift cards*

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## In the News:

[Arsht Magazine, Spring 2022 - "Accessibility Takes Center Stage"](#)

[Red de Noticias, March 12, 2022 – "Día Mundial del Glaucoma: Ya no distingo nada, veo borroso 24/7"](#)

[South Florida Hospital News, March 9, 2022 – "Miami Lighthouse Hosts Art Walk Featuring Art Created By The Blind On Saturday, March 19th"](#)

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